

CLEVELAND SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND

1975
Annual Report



Mrs. Kelvin Smith

Dedication

With admiration and gratitude, the Cleveland Society for the Blind dedicates this Annual Report to Mrs. Kelvin Smith in recognition of forty years of outstanding service given to the blind and visually handicapped in our community.

As a past president of the Society and continuing member of its Board for thirty years, Mrs. Smith has contributed to its growth, development and prosperity. Her five year tenure as president from 1952 to 1957 remains a milestone in the improvement of the Society's program to serve the blind. The Society is truly enriched by her many years of participation and its opportunity to be touched by her greatness.

President's Message

It is with pride that we bring you this Annual Report of Progress paying tribute to our seventy years of service to the blind and visually handicapped—and to those who have made this service possible.

We have come a long way since 1906 when the Society was an experimental weaving class in the Goodrich Settlement House.

The year just past was a good one. The Cleveland Society for the Blind was notified by the National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped that the Commission on Accreditation officially extended re-accreditation of the Society through 1979. The Society was commended by NAC for being among the first agencies and schools to achieve re-accreditation.

In combination with the Annual Meeting, the new wing to the Sight Center, which houses rehabilitation services, was dedicated. At the same time, the Mobility Training Park, believed to be the first of its kind in the world, was officially opened.

At the Annual Meeting, thirteen new Board members were elected to serve three-year terms.

Social Services continued providing services at a good, professional level. Casework, rehabilitation teaching, recreation and adapted aids and appliances services were provided for 2,776 individuals; Low Vision Clinic saw an additional 611 persons; and Prevention of Blindness Services screened 20,108 youngsters and adults.

J. Kenneth Cozier became the fourth person associated with the Cleveland Society for the Blind to receive the coveted Migel Award Medal for outstanding services to the blind.

Another first was the National Convention for the Deaf/Blind. The conference, held at Highbrook Lodge (the Society's camp for the visually handicapped), had delegates from 16 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada.

Forty-five blind children were treated to a "Feel and Squeal" trip to the Niagara Falls Aquarium and to a ride on the Maid-of-the-Mist boat beneath the Falls.



*Marvin J. Laronge
President, Board of Trustees*

No words can adequately express the gratitude for the growth and expansion which the Cleveland Society for the Blind has enjoyed. We are deeply grateful to every individual who has served the Society, to our dedicated Board, our hardworking volunteers, and to the staff.

We are especially grateful and appreciative to those with the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission and to those individual counselors who stay informed about the wide range of services available to the blind and visually handicapped at the Cleveland Society for the Blind and refer their clients to us for evaluation and personal adjustment training.

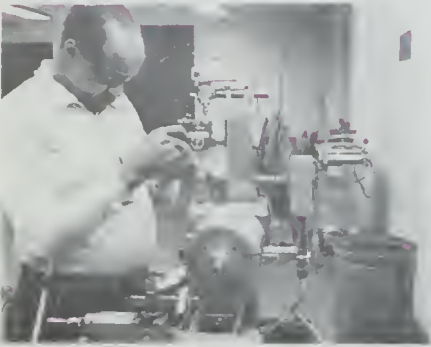
We are pleased to share with you this story of services for the year, 1975. We pledge to you our continued best in the coming year.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Marvin J. Laronge".



Community Mobility Lessons enabled this person to travel in her neighborhood

Rehabilitation Services



One of the many new machines used in the Work Training Center



*The Mobility Training Park was dedicated in May, 1975.
photo - Russell Butler, II*

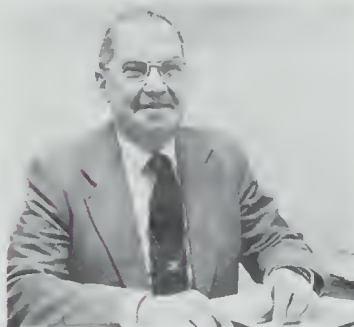
Volunteer Services



*Millie Dale — "Jill-of-all-Trades"
— four days a week volunteer*



Kay Wood—volunteer reader for Taping Services and Library of Congress



Clarke Hoak gives three mornings each week in Rehabilitation Services



Betty Quick, Chairman, Central Co-ordinating Committee for Volunteers, 1975



Playing the E Game . . .



. . . part of the Preschool Vision Screening Program

Prevention of Blindness



American Greeting Card Assembly Line



Interpreting at the Deaf/Blind Convention

Group Services



The Lexsuo Mop Operation



Relaxing at Highbrook Lodge

Business Enterprises



Crafts-for-Sale Booth



One of four new Snack Bars opened in 1975—located in the Premier Industrial Building



Learning to read Braille Music on Activity Day

Director's Report

The Cleveland Society for the Blind is an organization entrusted with public funds which must be used to serve the needs of handicapped citizens. It must use its resources wisely in the best interests of its clients and the community.

The challenge is greater than ever before in this time of extraordinary inflation. Expanding needs of blind and visually handicapped persons are making even heavier demands upon the Society's resources.

Contributions for general support increased during fiscal 1975 almost 6% but expenses jumped over 11%!

In the last 8 years, our costs have nearly doubled. Yet, the agency's income has not risen enough to cover them. Frequently, we have found it necessary to draw from the Permanent Endowment principal (funds left to the Society as legacies) to make up resulting deficits.

During this time of increasing demands for service and rising costs, we must re-emphasize our efforts to increase the support of the general public for our cause. The most effective way of accomplishing this goal is to alert the friends of the agency about the services available to the blind and visually handicapped, as well as to the financial needs of the agency.

The annual report which follows outlines the way staff and volunteers work together for those who come to the Society for assistance.

Chas B. Dolan

INTRODUCTION

A review of The Cleveland Society for the Blind's work during the past year shows a year of renewed, vigorous effort to meet the demands of a growing client population in need of services.

It was a year in which we successfully concluded a number of special projects and one in which we undertook a number of important and highly promising programs.

It was a year in which most of our departments made substantial advances in intensifying and broadening their work to do more to strengthen the services of the Society.

MOBILITY INSTRUCTORS BRANCH OUT

In March of 1975, a grant of \$16,400. from the George Gund Foundation of Cleveland made it possible for the Agency to employ two community mobility instructors. There was an immediate demand from the Casework Department for their services. For the rest of the year, both instructors worked each day with adults.

Experienced home teachers and community mobility instructors had a total of 2,902 client sessions with 310 different persons.



*Bird's-eye view of the Mobility Training Park
Photo by Russell Butler, II*

A GRATIFYING DAY

The dedication of the new rehabilitation wing to the Sight Center took place on May 19, 1975. At the same time, the Mobility Training Park—allowing outdoor mobility training and recreation—was officially opened for business. The Cleveland Society for the Blind, long a pioneer in the development of rehabilitation programs for the blind, has led the way in travel training. The park is another first for the agency.

WORK TRAINING CENTER OPENS

Thanks to a \$21,000. grant from The John Huntington Education Fund, the Work Training Center became a reality in 1975. The early months were spent in setting up equipment and making test runs to determine if it was in good running order. By the end of the year, the initial trainees were working there.

Throughout the year, there was an average of 26 trainees in the Rehabilitation Center per week. Hours of service in 1975 for these individuals totaled 36,960.

A SPECIAL KIND OF HELP

A number of these trainees were severely retarded blind persons. Each one presented a different set of challenges for the staff. The end result: each student learned the basic skills of independence; each achieved some form of sheltered shop level of employment in the Workshop System of the County Board of Mental Retardation.

1975 saw the continued successful operation of contractual arrangements under the Contract Service Plan between the Bureau of Services for the Blind (Cleveland) and the Rehabilitation Department of CSB.

BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

Although performance was very good, sales in the Industrial Division were low. Steady employment continued in the making of Bulletin Boards, Lexsuco Mops and in the American Greeting Card assembly job.

Late in the year, a new contract was signed with the government to produce suspension assemblies for helmet liners. This job will bring steady employment year round for 8 to 10 blind men and women.

1975 also saw the agency enter into the Military Resale program of the National Industries for the Blind which ultimately will help the total sales figure.

There was a major change in the Snack Bar program in 1975. New Federal regulations brought about the discontinuance of the joint Society-State of Ohio Program. This reduced the number of Snack Bars supervised by The Cleveland Society for the Blind from 58 to 28. They are operated by 35 managers and 11 relief operators.

Four new Snack Bars opened during the year.

PROGRAM FOR THE DEAF/BLIND

A grant from the National Center for Deaf/Blind Youths and Adults made it possible for the Society to add Services for the Deaf/Blind to its program. Objectives of the program: to identify deaf/blind persons throughout the entire state of Ohio; finding their needs; working with all community agencies to attempt to meet the needs.



Communicating at the Deaf/Blind Convention

In August of 1975, the very first National Convention for the Deaf/Blind was held at the Society's camp, Highbrook Lodge. The conference, sponsored jointly by CSB, the National Center for Deaf/Blind Youths and Adults and the National Association for the Deaf/Blind, drew delegates from 16 states, the District of Columbia and Canada.

RADIO READING SERVICE

A \$252,000. grant from the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission and one in the amount of \$28,000. from the George Gund Foundation of Cleveland enabled the Society to launch a Radio Reading Service for the blind and physically handicapped in Greater Cleveland.

A primary objective of Radio Reading Service is to provide immediacy of the printed word and become a major link of communication between the handicapped and the community in which they live. Another major objective is to provide an opportunity to learn and share with each other all aspects of their handicap. This is a significant aid to becoming and remaining rehabilitated and integrated into the community.

The program is broadcast from a studio located in the Sight Center. By the end of next year, the station will be on the air 18 hours a day.

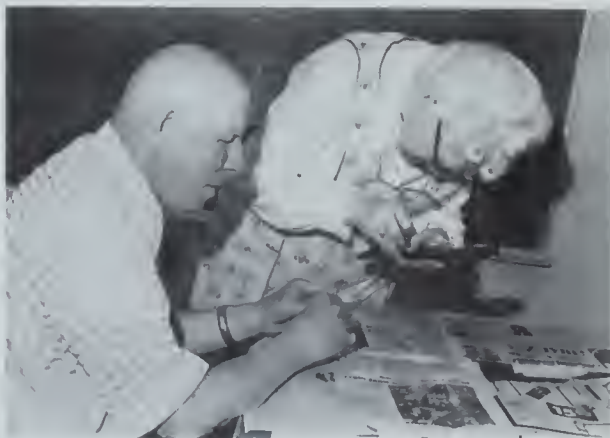
CRAFTS-FOR-SALE

A grant from ACTION enabled the Society to hire a part-time worker for the Crafts-for-Sale program. This is the program through which visually impaired individuals create craft items by hand to sell. With this additional staff, more craftsmen were added and many volunteers were recruited to help in a variety of ways: cutting of materials; bookkeeping; manning booths at fairs, shopping centers, etc.; designing crafts; and teaching new craftsmen.

In 1975, the program doubled the total disbursements it had paid to craftspeople the previous year! Sales were in excess of \$10,000. with proceeds over \$7,500. divided among the 60 participating clients.

ACTIVITY DAY

If you happened to visit the Sight Center on a Wednesday during 1975, you probably were caught up in the good happenings of Activity Day. In almost every nook of the Sight Center, things were going on: Knitting classes and Bridge lessons; Cooking and Conversation groups; Crafts for home and Mosaic work; Group singing; Physical Fitness; Arthur Murray Dance Lessons; Braille Music; and Ceramics.



A favorite class on Activity Day

PEOPLE-FOR-PEOPLE

In 1975, Cleveland Trust kicked off its "People-for-People" program of Involvement Corps. The Corps is a non-profit volunteer organization which involves business people in community volunteer work. Cleveland Trust selected the Society as its primary focus. By the end of the year, 50 employees of the bank were involved in several volunteer areas at the agency.

PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS

The part of our program which is the least supported by the public at large, is at the same time the part of greatest importance. It is Prevention of Blindness.

In the past year, the Society registered 714 new cases! In the coming year, it is estimated that 900 men, women and children in Cleveland will become blind.

The Prevention of Blindness Services' emphasis in 1975 was on education for better eye health, eye safety and the knowledge about causes of blindness.



James L. Vendeland, M.D., and Dr. Eleanor E. Faye

One of the most significant events of the past year was the "Eye Update II" Seminar and the Low Vision Seminar. The two-day program attracted more than 200 nurses, physicians, optometrists, social workers and rehabilitation people who came to learn from experts about current medical and surgical techniques. Special guest, Dr. Eleanor E. Faye from the New York Lighthouse was the main speaker for the Low Vision Seminar and spoke on dealing with specific problems of those with low vision.

Preschool Vision Screening reached more than 17,000 youngsters — many of these in Day Care Centers in suburbs, as well as in the city of Cleveland. A total of 434 children were referred for medical evaluation and treatment.

During the year, 3026 adults were screened for glaucoma; 104 were referred for further medical evaluation and treatment.

DRAMATIC RISE IN LOW VISION CLINIC

Each year, more and more individuals are learning that people with low vision can see. They need the help of magnifiers and in 1975, a total of 611 persons came for help to the Society's Low Vision Clinic. This is a 45% increase in one year!



The Star Crab was a "star" attraction at the Niagara Falls Aquarium

A GREAT BIG BEAUTIFUL DAY

A surprise highlight of the year for visually handicapped children was the trip to Niagara Falls. There, 45 children visited the Aquarium which has a "feel" tank complete with starfish, horseshoe crabs and shellfish. The tank was created especially so that children who have a visual handicap could get firsthand knowledge about some of the inhabitants of an aquarium.

After each child had a turn at the "feel and squeal" tank, they all boarded the Maid-of-the-Mist boat for a trip beneath the Falls. This special day rounded off with a dinner at the Goose's Roost. It was a happy two busloads of youngsters all the way.

The number of children enrolled for services in 1975 rose from 146 (a fairly steady figure for the past 5 years) to 195. By the end of the year, the causes for this tremendous jump were still not known.

THE INSIDE STORY — THE VOLUNTEER

The inside story on the success of The Cleveland Society for the Blind is the dedicated work of hundreds of volunteers.

It begins with those who set the policy and oversee the administration of the agency — the Board of Trustees. In addition, there were a total of 3,070 (unduplicated count) men and women who gave 171,918 hours of time in almost every program area of the Society.

Without the tremendous contributions of these volunteers — and the financial support of a generous public, The Cleveland Society for the Blind could not continue to offer its comprehensive services to the blind and visually impaired.

Financial Pages

THE CLEVELAND SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1975

ASSETS

	1975	1974
GENERAL ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 55,727	\$ 114,082
Accounts Receivable		
Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		
of \$6,792 (1975 and \$7,304 (1974)	450,120	243,122
Inventories (at Lower of Cost or Market)	370,405	445,629
Prepaid Expenses and Deferred Charges	50,672	27,031
TOTAL GENERAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 926,924</u>	<u>\$ 829,864</u>
RESTRICTED ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 5,293	\$ 75,954
Investments (Market Value \$420,249 — 1975)	441,979	359,314
Due From General Funds	178,415	273,610
Due From Other Funds	61,448	—
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	80,651	76,890
TOTAL RESTRICTED ASSETS	<u>\$ 767,786</u>	<u>\$ 785,768</u>
LAND, BUILDING & EQUIPMENT FUND ASSETS		
Land	\$ 652,722	\$ 652,722
Buildings	4,819,667	4,752,855
Equipment	1,240,754	1,101,154
	6,713,143	6,506,731
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	1,510,905	1,282,450
NET LAND, BUILDING & EQUIPMENT	<u>\$5,202,238</u>	<u>\$5,224,281</u>
ENDOWMENT FUND ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 14,901	\$ 7,055
Investments (Market Value \$1,553,094 — 1975)	1,269,153	1,226,222
Due From Other Funds	200,000	200,000
TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUNDS	<u>\$1,484,054</u>	<u>\$1,433,277</u>
TOTAL CONSOLIDATED ASSETS	<u>\$8,381,002</u>	<u>\$8,273,190</u>

GENERAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES

GENERAL LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 306,717	\$ 275,532
Accrued Expenses	87,552	83,176
Due to Restricted Funds	178,415	273,610
Fund Balances — Designated for Special Purposes	200,000	200,000
Earned Surplus and Reserves	154,240	(2,454)
TOTAL GENERAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 926,924</u>	<u>\$ 829,864</u>
RESTRICTED LIABILITIES		
FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 767,786</u>	<u>\$ 785,768</u>
LAND, BUILDING & EQUIPMENT FUND LIABILITIES		
Investment in Land, Buildings & Equipment	\$5,154,649	\$5,073,686
Construction Payable	—	64,131
6.5% First Mortgage Payable (Apartment)	47,589	86,464
TOTAL	<u>\$5,202,238</u>	<u>\$5,224,281</u>
ENDOWMENT FUND LIABILITIES		
FUND BALANCE	<u>\$1,484,054</u>	<u>\$1,433,277</u>
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These statements conform with "Standards of Accounting and Financial Reporting for Voluntary Health & Welfare Organizations."

The 1975 Statements are subject to audit.
1974 results have been audited.

THE CLEVELAND SOCIETY FOR
STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT REVENUE
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1975
(000'S OMITTED)

	1975			
	CURRENT FUNDS			
	UNRESTRICTED			
	Uncommitted	Board-Designated Funds Functioning as Endowment	Restricted	Land, Building and Equipment Funds
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE:				
Public Support:				
General Contributions	\$ 179.6	\$ 413.8	\$626.5	
Contributions received from United Torch Services	109.8	—	—	
Total Public Support	289.4	413.8	626.5	
Revenue:				
Net Sales Food Service Division	2,762.9			
Net Sales Industrial Division	993.6			
Program Service Fees	644.4			
Miscellaneous Revenue	3.5			
Investment Income	—	69.0	27.2	
Rehabilitation Fees	264.7	—	—	
Realized Gains (Losses) on Investment Transactions	—	59.4	(6.0)	
Total Revenue	4,669.1	128.4	21.7	
Total Support and Revenue	4,958.5	542.2	648.2	
EXPENSES:				
Food Service Division	2,790.7			
Industrial Division	1,150.0			
Program Services:				
General	566.5		126.3	
Camp	64.7		25.5	
Rehabilitation	228.7		32.5	
Supporting Services:				
Management and General	387.3		202.3	
Restricted Fund Expenditures				
Total Expenses	5,187.9	—	386.6	
Excess (Deficiency) of Public Support and Revenue Over Expenses	(229.4)	542.2	261.6	
OTHER CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES:				
Additions to Land, Building and Equipment	(302.7)	—	(283.1)	\$ 585.8
Depreciation	235.7	—	—	(235.7)
Net Book Value of Fixed Asset Disposals	4.1	—	—	(4.1)
Decrease in Mortgage	—	—	(38.9)	38.9
Cash Transfers	449.0	(491.4)	42.4	—
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	(2.5)	1,433.3	785.8	5,073.7
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 154.2	\$1,484.1	\$767.8	\$5,458.6

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UND BALANCES

ER 31, 1975 AND 1974
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1974						
CURRENT FUNDS					Land, Building and Equipment Fund	Total
UNRESTRICTED						
Board-Designated Funds						
Uncommitted	Functioning as Endowment	Restricted				
Total						
\$1,219.9	\$ 134.2	\$ 367.1	\$1,019.7	\$ 4.5	\$1,525.5	
109.8	107.5	—	—	—	107.5	
1,329.7	241.7	367.1	1,019.7	4.5	1,633.0	
2,762.9	2,701.7				2,701.7	
993.6	1,014.7				1,014.7	
644.4	372.4				372.4	
3.5	5.6				5.6	
96.7	—	53.8	18.6	—	72.4	
264.7	158.0	—			158.0	
53.4	—	69.0	(2.6)		66.4	
4,819.2	4,252.4	122.8	16.0	—	4,391.2	
6,148.9	4,494.1	489.9	1,035.7	4.5	6,024.2	
2,790.7	2,773.2				2,773.2	
1,150.0	1,204.5				1,204.5	
692.8	335.7		81.9		417.6	
90.2	60.0		9.9		69.9	
261.2	223.0		5.7		228.7	
589.6	441.2		129.7		570.9	
5,574.5	5,037.6	—	227.2	—	5,264.8	
574.4	(543.5)	489.9	808.5	4.5	759.4	
0	(35.6)		(564.4)	600.0	0	
0	175.7	—	—	(175.7)	0	
0	6.1	—	4.3	(10.4)	0	
0	—	—	(18.5)	18.5	0	
0	351.3	(351.3)	—	—	0	
7,290.3	43.5	1,294.7	555.9	4,636.8	6,530.9	
\$7,864.7	\$ (2.5)	\$1,433.3	\$ 785.8	\$5,073.7	\$7,290.3	

NUMBER OF CLIENTS SERVED AND RELATED EXPENDITURES
FOR SELECTED AREAS OF SERVICE

	NUMBER OF CLIENTS SERVED		TOTAL EXPENDITURE PER SERVICE AREA		EXPENDITURE PER CLIENT	
	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>
Social Service (Casework)	1,545	1,231	\$111,782	\$ 86,530	\$ 72.35	\$ 70.29
Supportive Service (Talking Book, Aids & Appliances, Taping)	1,433	1,338	56,756	32,615	39.61	24.37
General Rehabilitation						
In House Program	124	126	228,661	214,710	1,844.04	1,704.05
Low Vision Clinic	611	420	20,090	12,670	32.88	30.17
Camping	207	200	64,689	65,277	312.51	326.38
Transportation	593	438	16,207	15,500	27.33	35.38
Food Service Employment	80	72	27,846	(1,660) ⁽¹⁾	348.08	(23.06) ⁽¹⁾
Sheltered Workshop Employment (Industrial Division)	68	76	156,484	162,028	2,301.24	2,131.95

NOTE (1)

() NET INCOME OVER EXPENSE



A delightful Fuzzy book is used to teach numbers to a child with a visual handicap

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

To help inform the public about the services of The Cleveland Society for the Blind, volunteers and staff members appeared on many radio and television programs during 1975. In addition, countless radio and television spot announcements on behalf of the agency — worth thousands of dollars — were aired free of charge.

Newspapers devoted much space, including numerous photos, to the CSB cause.

More than one million pieces of literature were distributed last year and there were 335 tours and speaking engagements before an estimated 14,328 persons. In addition, there were some 500 film showings held, utilizing Cleveland Society for the Blind films.

Throughout the year, a number of exhibits were set up featuring the Society and its materials.

How You Can Help

The extensive and individualized service program of the Cleveland Society for the Blind would not be possible without the generous contributions of its many friends. Gifts from our many donors provide essential subsidy to the basic financial support we receive from The United Torch Services.

But — we always need to make new friends to assist us in our effort of strengthening the services for the blind and visually handicapped members of the community.

Financial assistance can be given in many ways: a cash gift; a transfer of securities or other property; gift annuities, bequests and life insurance gifts.

All gifts are deductible for income tax purposes. Your attorney or banking consultant can help you with your arrangements.

For further information on how you can help, contact the:

Executive Director
The Cleveland Society for the Blind
1909 East 101st Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44106
(216) 791-8118



*A view of the Sight Center looking west along Chester Avenue
photo by Russell Butler, II*

Summary of Gifts

BEQUESTS FROM ESTATES:

Albrecht, Harvey O.

Bailey, Nelson Wilbur

Clark, Robert L.

Davidson, Beulah I.
DeMooy, Edward

Good, Dorothy E.

Juergens, Elmer

Kirby, Dorothy W.

Lessner, William J.
Lynch, Edward J.

Morison, Josephine B.

Stark, Emma
Stone, Charles L.

Weiler, J. Emmet

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:

A. SIGHT CENTER BLDG. FUND:

Fox Charitable Fndn.,
Harry K. and Emma R.

Steel Improvement Fndn.

Tremco Fndn. (E. 55th Street
Facilities)

White, Mr. & Mrs. Fred R., Jr.

Ohio Rehabilitation Services
Commission

B. SIGHT CENTER APARTMENTS (STUDENT RESIDENCE):

A.H.S. Foundation

Beaumont Fndn., Louis D.

Gerson Family Foundation,
Benjamin S.

Halvorson, Mr. & Mrs. Newman T.

Lubrizol Foundation

Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Kelvin

C. SIGHT CENTER MOBILITY TRAINING PARK:

Jackson Charitable Foundation,
Norma Witt

Kangesser Foundation

Park, Dr. C. M.
Paterson-Leitch-Shenk Fndn.

Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Kelvin

CHRISTMAS GIFT FUND:

Bastel, Theodore V.

Bates, Alfred O.

Bates, Mr. & Mrs. Earl L.
Bretschneider, Mr. & Mrs.
Leonard A.

Cleveland Plain Dealer
Engineers & Machinists
Cristal, Thomas W.

DeGray Trust, Richard J.
Dolan, Mr. & Mrs. Cleo B.

Erico Products Inc.

Federation for Community
Planning
Fisher, Mrs. Jerome C.
Flesheim Foundation
Freeman, Mrs. James M.
Frohning, Mrs. W. O.

Gibson, Mr. M. L.
Greenzweig, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel

Halle Trust, Helen C.
Hatch, Mrs. Henry R., III
Hoag, Arthur H.
Hough Foundation
Humphrey Fund, George M.
and Pamela S.

Kiwanis Club of Cleveland
Kling, Mrs. John D.
Knecht, Lawrence G.

Lakewood Hospital,
Medical Records Dept.
Langdon, Mr. & Mrs. Chas. W.
Lusk, Amelia A.
Lusk, Bernice A.

McWilliams Foundation
Meckfessel, Mrs. Phillip

Orr, Mrs. Thomas E.

Rechin, F. James
Romig, Mrs. Edward F.

Schwartz & Miller
Seidman, Elmer H.
Sellers, Mrs. M. K.
Shepherd, Mrs. Henry B.
Sollenberger, Mrs. Carl W.
Sterling Club
Sterling Committee

Van Stone, Mrs. N. E.
Viny, Mr. & Mrs. Louis
Vision Volunteer Committee

Weaver, Mr. & Mrs. Harry E.
White, Mr. & Mrs. Fred R., Jr.
White Charitable Trust,
Helen B. & Charles M.

CONTRIBUTORS OF EQUIPMENT:

Abrams, Mr. M. B.
Adler, Mr. & Mrs. Richard

Bader, Irving
Baker, Mrs. Ben B.
Becker CPA Review Courses
Benjamin, Mr. & Mrs. Gary M.
Berger, Mrs. Robert
Berger, Mr. & Mrs. Seymour
Berne, Mrs. Charles R.
Bialosky, Florence S.
Blaushild, David
Bloomenthal, Mr. & Mrs. *
Lawrence
Blum, Dr. Neil
Blumenthal, Sidney P.
Bobey, Dr. & Mrs. Milton E.
Bolton, Charles B.
Bortnick, Joseph R.
Branche, Walter E.
Brooks, Leroy S.
Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Edward R.

Champion, Mrs. Robert
Chaney, E. Bruce
Coffman, Mrs. M. F.
Copeland, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard L.
Cristal, Mr. & Mrs. Charles
Crosby, B.

Danford, Mrs. Otto
DeVore, Mrs. Ben

East Ohio Gas Co.
Elias, David
Engel, Mrs. Esther

Fangboner, Mr. & Mrs. John S.
Fедerman, Ms. Constance
Feiner, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur A.
Fellinger, Herold
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PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS

Number children screened for amblyopia (lazy-eye)	17,082
— Number referred for further medical evaluation and/or treatment	434

Number adults screened for glaucoma	3,026
— Number referred for further medical evaluation and/or treatment	104

DIRECT SERVICES TO THE BLIND AND VISUALLY HANDICAPPED

Number persons receiving direct services	2,776
— Number new clients (1975)	714

Number persons receiving rehabilitation evaluation and training at the Sight Center	124
— Hours spent in rehabilitation training: Mobility, braille, evaluation of skills, etc.	32,340

Number of persons receiving rehabilitation services in the community	310
— Number of sessions	2,902

Number of children served	195
— Number referred in 1975	37
— Number of interviews	306

Number of persons served in the Low Vision Clinic	611
— Number of clinic sessions	905

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Number of persons served in Aids and Appliances	589
— Number of service contacts	1,104

Number of new Talking Book machines placed in 1975	535
— Number of Talking Book machines now in service	2,364

Number of requests for printed materials to be recorded onto tape	1,614
— Number pages recorded for above requests	217,890

Number of requests for printed materials to be transcribed into Braille	530
— Number pages brailled	105,414

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Number of participants in group activities and recreation	435
— Number of sessions and/or special events	3,033

RESIDENT CAMPING SERVICES

Number of adults and children attending camp	207
— Number of camper days	1,916

COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

Number of tours and speeches	335
— Number of persons on tour and in audiences	14,328
— Additional persons reached by films (estimated)	30,000

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Number of persons employed through:	
— Sheltered workshop, Food Services, Home industries and Crafts-for-Sale	233

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

Number of volunteers (excluding Board of Trustee members) who served the agency in 1975	3,070
— Number of hours (excluding Board of Trustees) given	171,918



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